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In Re The Application of: )  
Xiaoming Ren )  
Serial No.: 09/882,699 )  
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For: METALLIC LAYER COMPO- )  
NENT FOR USE IN A DIRECT )  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 11, 2002, having a term for reply expiring on November 12, 2002, (November 11 being a Federal Holiday within the District of Columbia in accordance with MPEP §710.05).